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CONCERT CELEBRATES 10 YEARS OF DRUM BROTHERS MUSIC

MISSOULA —

Drum Brothers, Montana's premier world percussion ensemble, will commemorate a decade of making music across the Northwest with a 10-Year Celebration Concert on Wednesday, Dec. 3, at The University of Montana.

The group will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the University Theatre. Tickets cost \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Children ages 12 and under will be admitted free. Advance tickets are available at UM's University Center Box Office and Rockin Rudy's, and a drum raffle and drum giveaway will be held during the event.

Drum Brothers gave their first public performance as part of Missoula's inaugural First Night celebration on Dec. 31, 1994. Since then the group has toured extensively throughout the Northwest and released two recordings, "Power of Rhythm" (1997) and "Remember" (2002).

Drum Brothers concerts feature a unique mix of ethnic and contemporary sounds such as West African djembe and doun-doun drums, udu and frame drums, and the Australian didgeridoo, as well as flutes, guitars, vocals and hand percussion.

The group started as an instrument manufacturing company comprised of brothers Matthew, Patrick and Michael Marsolek and their father, David. The drum-making business is based in Arlee, and since the early 1990s Drum Brothers has led drum circles and rhythm workshops for all ages, celebrating the rhythms of life and joy of community music-making.

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